

LINDSEY BRAISTED

EDUCATION

Tennessee Technological University, Cookeville, TN (2020)

Master of Arts, Literacy (Additional emphasis in ESL) GPA: 4.0

Licensure endorsement: Reading Specialist pre-K-12 (486) (pending Spring 2023 Praxis results)

Tennessee Technological University, Cookeville, TN (2017)

Bachelor of Science, Multidisciplinary Studies, Middle School Concentration, GPA: 3.84

Licensure endorsement: Middle Grades Education 4-8 (440)

EXPERIENCE

2020-Present

Prescott South Middle School, Putnam County School District

8th Grade, English Language Arts Teacher

IPG Leadership Team (2023); Student Council Sponsor (2020-Present); Content Area Mentorship (2022-Present); Pre-Service Teacher Mentor (2022-Present); Family Engagement Committee (2021-Present); Aspiring Admin Leadership Team (2020-2021); Classroom Organization Management Program (COMPS) (2020-2021); Teach & Lead 1 (2020-2021)

2021-2022

Tennessee Technological University

Adjunct Professor – Literacy Practicum: FOED 3810 (Fall 2022); Secondary ESL: ESLP 3100 (Spring 2022); ESL Practicum: FOED 3840 (Fall 2021)

2018-2020

Tennessee Technological University

Graduate Assistant

Assist with research in the areas of classroom technology, outdoor learning, and literacy instruction; contribute to research publications and presentations; contribute to and awarded educational grants; assist with instruction for pre-service teachers and graduate students; collaborate with supervising professor on course content; perform practicum observations; coordinated STEM nights for Prescott South Elementary School

2019-2021

Elinor Ross Freedom School

Site Coordinator

Collaborate with Project Director and Executive Director on fundraising and program planning; plan and oversee daily program activities; customize curriculum, coordinate and oversee program volunteers; provide training and ongoing support to interns and staff; organize and host weekly family engagement events

2017-2018

East Nashville Magnet Middle School, Metro Nashville Public Schools

8th Grade, Social Studies

After school tutoring program; ELA & Social Studies family night

PRE-PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Residency: Upperman Middle School, Putnam County Schools, 6th grade Math & Social Studies

Practicum I: Avery Trace Middle School, Putnam County Schools, 5th grade Science

Practicum II: Prescott South Middle School, Putnam County Schools, 7th grade Language Arts

S E R V I C E

Upper Cumberland Literacy Association Community Book Walk – Cookeville, TN, 2022

Upper Cumberland Literacy Association Tornado Book Drive – Cookeville, TN, 2020

UltimateXchange – Verona, Italy, Summer 2016–2018: ESL instructor during a two-week English language summer camp (ages 5-12); Team leader Summer 2017 and Summer 2018

P R O F E S S I O N A L M E M B E R S H I P

2019-Present Literacy Association of Tennessee – Social Media Chair; Conference Planning Committee; 2022 Summer Leadership Facilitator

Previous Roles: Keynote Speaker Liaison (Dec. 2021); Conference Volunteer Coordinator (Dec. 2020; Apr. 2021)

2019-Present Upper Cumberland Literacy Association – Immediate-Past Chair; Conference Chair

Previous roles: Chair, Co-Chair, Conference Chair, Social Media Chair

A W A R D S

College of Education Graduate Leadership Award- Tennessee Tech University (2020)

Teacher of the Month- East Nashville Magnet Middle School (October 2018)

P U B L I C A T I O N S

Spears, A., Isbell, J. K., Chitiyo, G., Braisted, L., Langford, E., & Espinosa, C. (2022). Elementary children's perspectives on experiences during a summer literacy program. *Reading Horizons*. (submitted).

Spears, A., Beach, N., Braisted, L., Schmitt-Matzen, C. (2020). Taking Literacy Outside: Nature-Based Literacy Lessons for Your Outdoor Classroom. Intent to submit for book publication. (in progress).

Isbell, J. K., Spears, A., Schmitt-Matzen, C., & Braisted, L. (2020). "Everyone off the ship": Children becoming civic minded in a summer literacy program. *Journal of Multicultural Affairs*.

G R A N T S

Spears, A., Schmitt-Matzen, C., Braisted, L., Qualls, C., Enix, J., Rector, L., & Sukowski, D. (2020). Dollar General Family Literacy Grant. (\$8,000).

Spears, A. & Braisted, L. (2020). Literacy Association of Tennessee's Family Literacy Grant. (\$600).

Braisted, L., & Spears, A. (2020). Literacy Association of Tennessee's Reading Improvement Grant. (\$400).

Isbell, J. K., Spears, A., Schmitt-Matzen, C., & Braisted, L. (2019). Literacy Empowerment for Civic Engagement. (\$10,000).

P R E S E N T A T I O N S

INTERNATIONAL

Spears, A., Schmitt-Matzen, C., Braisted, L., & Beach, N. (2020, October). Taking Literacy Outside: Outcomes from a year-long observational study. International Literacy Association. Columbus, OH. (Conference Canceled).

NATIONAL

Spears, A., Schmitt-Matzen, C., Braisted, L., Beach, N. (2020, April). Lessons from a Year in Wonderland Woods: How Nature-Based Lessons Supported Students' Interdisciplinary Content Knowledge. 2020 NSTA National Conference. Boston, MA. (Conference Canceled).

Wendt, S., Wendt, J., Braisted L. (2020, April). Using NGSS phenomena: Three-dimensional instruction in a fascinating world. 2020 NSTA National Conference. Boston, MA. (Conference Canceled).

STATE

Braisted, L. (2022). Own Your Learning: Empowering Students through Digital Data Folders. Literacy Association of Tennessee. Murfreesboro, TN. (December 2022).

Spears, A., Thompson, J., Braisted, L. (2022). Elinor Ross CDF Freedom School: How a Summer Program Transformed a Community Literacy Association of Tennessee. Murfreesboro, TN. (December 2022).

Spears, A., Beach, N., Schmitt-Matzen, C., and Braisted, L. (2021). Rediscovering Learning Spaces: Supporting Scientific Inquiry in an Outdoor Classroom. Tennessee Science Teachers Association. Murfreesboro, TN. (October 2021).

Braisted, L. & Davis, A. (2019, December) Benefits of summer literacy programs in rural communities. 2019 Literacy Association of Tennessee Conference. Murfreesboro, TN.

Wendt, S. & Braisted, L. (2019, November) Immersive virtual reality for teaching math & science in the elementary classroom. 2019 Tennessee Science Teachers Association Conference. Murfreesboro, TN.